

FIG.5

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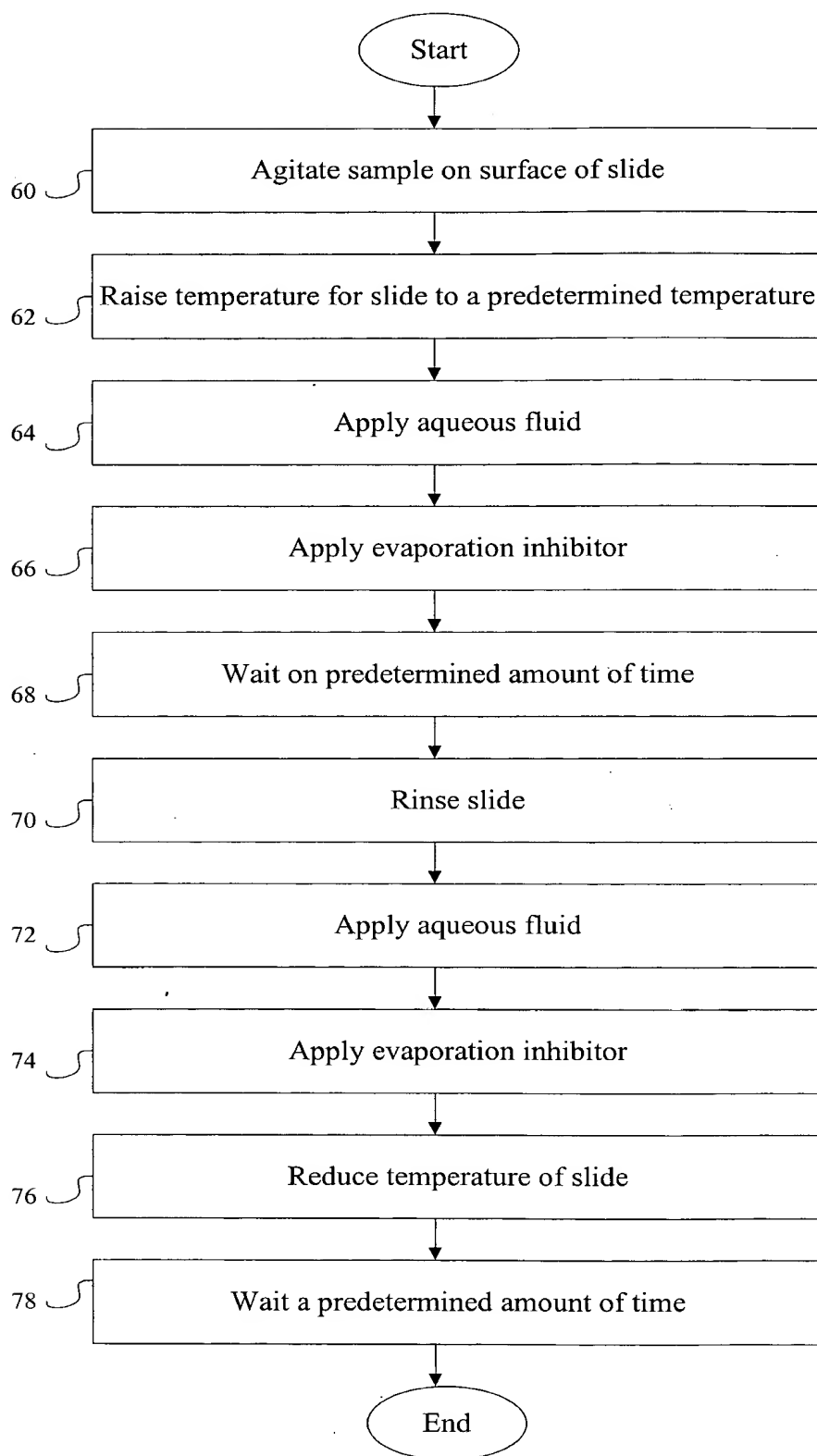


FIG. 6

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graph TD; Start([Start]) --> 80{Is cell conditioner to be applied}; 80 -- No --> END([END]); 80 -- Yes --> 82[Rinse slide with aqueous fluid]; 82 --> 84[Apply evaporation inhibitor]; 84 --> 86[Set temperature of slide to predetermined value]; 86 --> 88[Apply evaporation inhibitor]; 88 --> 90[Raise temperature of slide to predetermined temperature]; 90 --> 92[Apply cell conditioner]; 92 --> 94[Apply evaporation inhibitor]; 94 --> 96[Determine number of times to iterate (x)]; 96 --> A'((A'))
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The flowchart illustrates the method for preparing a cell specimen. It begins with a 'Start' terminal, leading to a decision diamond 80: 'Is cell conditioner to be applied'. If the answer is 'No', the process ends at 'END'. If 'Yes', the process proceeds through a series of steps: 'Rinse slide with aqueous fluid' (82), 'Apply evaporation inhibitor' (84), 'Set temperature of slide to predetermined value' (86), 'Apply evaporation inhibitor' (88), 'Raise temperature of slide to predetermined temperature' (90), 'Apply cell conditioner' (92), 'Apply evaporation inhibitor' (94), and 'Determine number of times to iterate (x)' (96). The process then loops back to step 82 via connector A'.

A circle with center A' .

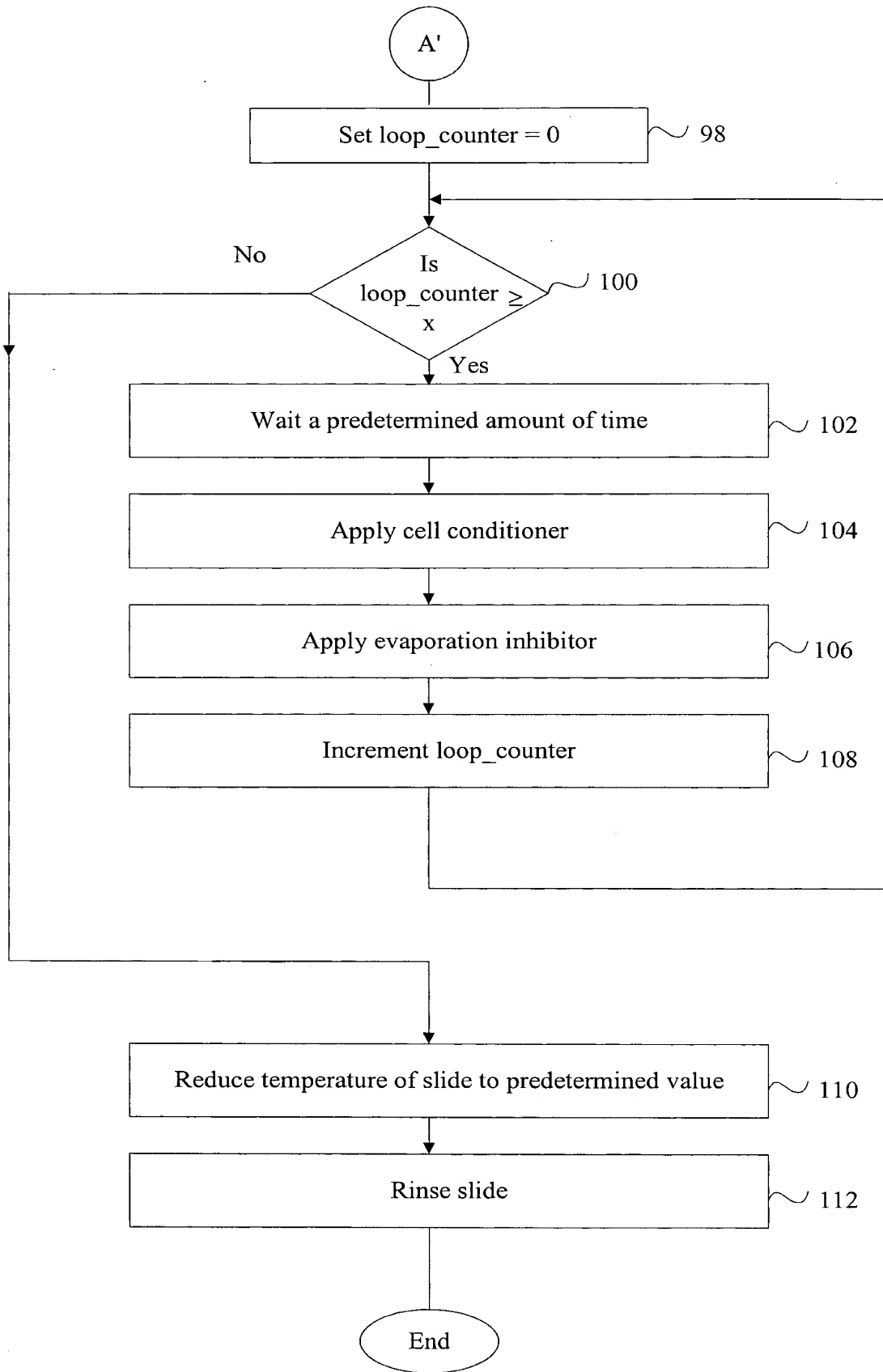


FIG. 7B